

LLC, Sarasota, Florida, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Bradley Rock, Bank of Smithtown, Smithtown, New York, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Christopher A. Korst, Rent-A-Center, Inc., Plano, Texas; Eugene F. Maloney, Federated Investors, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Michael Vadala, The Summit Federal Credit Union, Rochester, New York.

DEEPWATER IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Fisheries and the Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine the Coast Guard's revised deepwater implementation plan to secure America's waterways, focusing on preliminary observations on the condition of deepwater legacy assets and acquisition management challenges, after receiving testimony from Admiral Thomas H. Collins, Commandant, and Rear Admiral Patrick M. Stillman, Program Executive Officer, Deepwater Program, both of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Margaret T. Wrightson, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in National Defense, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

U.S.-RUSSIA POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States policy toward Russia, focusing on the fate of democracy, human rights, and the rule of law, energy issues, economic investment, and the spread of HIV/AIDS, receiving testimony from Patricia M. Cloherty, The U.S. Russia Investment Fund, New York, New York; Frank A. Verrastro and Celeste A. Wallander, both of the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Larry Miles Dinger, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the Republic

of the Fiji Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, Tuvalu, and the Republic of Kiribati; Joseph A. Mussomeli, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia; and Emil A. Skodon, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

JUVENILE DIABETES

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues relating to juvenile diabetes, focusing on the personal toll on families, financial costs to the Federal health care system, and research progress toward a cure, after receiving testimony from Allen M. Spiegel, Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Mary Tyler Moore, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), New York, New York; Douglas Wick, Red Wagon Entertainment, Los Angeles, California; Gary Hall, Jr., Miami, Florida; and certain representatives of the JDRF Children's Congress.

VOTING TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the issue of voter verification in the Federal elections process, focusing on Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting machine security, and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT), after receiving testimony from Senator Ensign; Conny McCormack, Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder, Norwalk, California; James C. Dickson, American Association of People with Disabilities, Washington, D.C.; David L. Dill, Stanford University Department of Computer Science, Stanford, California; and Ted Selker, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Media Lab, Cambridge, on behalf of the Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 3003–3009, 3011–3019; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 335–336 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1492, to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, amended (H. Rept. 109–142);

H.R. 3010, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and

Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–143); and

H. Res. 334, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2985, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–144). **Page H4895**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McMorris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4805**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:09 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H4806**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Recognizing the 100th anniversary of FarmHouse Fraternity, Inc: H. Res. 207, recognizing the 100th anniversary of FarmHouse Fraternity, Inc; **Pages H4808–10**

Sense of the House in remembrance of the servicemen who perished in the April 24, 1980 rescue attempt of the American hostages in Iran: H. Res. 256, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in remembrance of the brave servicemen who perished in the disastrous April 24, 1980, rescue attempt of the American hostages in Iran; **Pages H4810–13**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in remembrance of the members of the Armed Forces who perished in the April 24, 1980, rescue attempt of the American hostages being held in Iran and commending all special operations forces personnel currently in service. **Page H4813**

Approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003: H.J. Res. 52, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 423 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 291; **Pages H4813–17, H4858–59**

Recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day: H. Con. Res. 160, recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and expressing the sense of Congress that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 292; and **Pages H4817–20, H4859–60**

Supporting initiatives developed by the Firefighter Life Safety Summit: H. Con. Res. 180, to support initiatives developed by the Firefighter Life Safety Summit and the mission of the National Fall-

en Firefighters Foundation and the United States Fire Administration to reduce firefighter fatalities and injuries, to encourage implementation of the new “Everyone Goes Home” campaign to make firefighter safety a national priority, and to support the goals of the national “stand down” called by fire organizations. **Pages H4820–23, H4860**

Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Flag Desecration—Rule for Consideration: H. Res. 330, the rule providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 10, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, by voice vote. **Pages H4823–29**

Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2006: The House passed H.R. 2475, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 409 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 290. **Pages H4840–58**

Rejected the Waxman motion to recommit the bill to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 197 yeas to 228 nays, Roll No. 289. **Pages H4855–58**

Adopted the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, as modified by the manager’s amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 109–141. **Page H4841**

Agreed to:

Maloney amendment (printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–141), as modified by unanimous consent agreement, that requires the President, if the National Counterterrorism Center is not fully operational by June 17, 2005, to provide Congress written justification as to why the Center is not fully operational. **Pages H4852–54**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H4858**

H. Res. 331, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yeas-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 288. **Pages H4829–40**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4888.

Senate Referrals: S. 1282 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Page H4894**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4840, H4857–58, H4858, H4859, and H4859–60. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN OPERATIONS/ TRANSPORTATION–TREASURY–HUD APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2006; SUBALLOCATIONS OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2006

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006: the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs; and the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies.

The Committee also approved revised 302(b) Suballocations of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006.

MARINE CORPS FORCE PROTECTION

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing to review Marine Corps force protection. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Marine Corps, Department of the Navy: GEN William L. Nyland, USMC, Assistant Commandant; and BG William D. Catto, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Systems Command.

U.N. OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “The United Nations Oil-For-Food Program: A Review of the 661 Sanctions Committee.” Testimony was heard from Thomas A. Schweich, Chief of Staff, United States Mission to the United Nations, Department of State.

FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Authorizing the President’s Vision: Making Permanent The Faith-Based and Community Initiative—H.R. 1054, Tools for Community Initiatives Act.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Green of Wisconsin and Scott of Virginia; David Kuo, former Deputy Director of the White House Faith-Based Initiative; Bobby Polito, former Director, Center for Faith-Based Community Initiatives, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

IRAG RECONSTRUCTION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled “The Development Fund for Iraq: U.S. Management of Iraq Oil Proceeds and Compliance with U.N. Security Council Resolution 1483.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Stuart W. Bowen, Jr., Special Inspector General, Iraq Reconstruction; William Reed, Director, Defense Contract Audit Agency; COL Emmett H. Du Bose, Jr., Deputy Commander and Engineers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Joseph A. Benkert, Defense Reconstruction Support Office, Office of the Secretary; David Norquist, Under Deputy Secretary (Financial Management); and public witnesses.

OPEN-SOURCE INFORMATION—EFFECTIVE USE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment held a hearing entitled “Using Open-Source Information Effectively.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NUCLEAR MATERIAL DETECTION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack and the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science, and Technology held a joint hearing entitled “Detecting Nuclear Weapons and Radiological Materials: How Effective Is Available Technology?” Testimony was heard from Gene Aloise, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Vayl Oxford, Acting Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, Department of Homeland Security; Michael K. Evenson, Acting Director, Combat Support Directorate, DTRA, Department of Defense; David Huizenga, Assistant Deputy Administrator, International Materials Protection and Cooperation, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Richard L. Wagner, Jr., Senior Staff Member, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and Bethann Ronney, Manager, Port Security, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 326, amended, Calling on free and fair parliamentary elections in the Republic of Azerbaijan; H. Res. 328, amended, Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the workers’ strikes in Poland in 1980 that led to the